

PHILIPSBURG'S MINES

Prospects Once Said to be Worthless that Have Since Proven of Great Value.

Camps Which Would be Resounding With the Hum of Industry but for Useless and Timid Litigation.

Special to the Standard.

PHILIPSBURG, Sept. 26.—There are but very few if any occupations in this world that cause either the joyful expectancy or the awful heart sinking and feeling of complete goodness of the miner. Not the man who works in a mine for \$3.50 per day, but the miner and prospector who finds what he believes to be a good mine if only properly developed but lacks the money necessary to do what in his judgment should be done. Every man so situated, when attempting to interest capital for the purpose of developing what he feels to be a bonanza mine and his kindred, the chronic kicker and their kindred. Numerous instances are on record where experts and good, practical miners have pronounced a mine worthless that afterwards proved to be of great value. As a notable instance of this kind the writer well remembers when F. L. Perkins, who was acting as superintendent of both the Hope and Granite Mining companies, pronounced the since far-famed Granite mine a rock quarry and worthless as a mine, and recommended the immediate suspension of work. Fortunately for this district and also for Montana, the telegram ordering the closing down of all work was delayed and the last shift's work before it was received broke into the greatest silver mine on earth.

There are many good prospects in this district awaiting proper development. Of course it is hardly probable that all of them are mines, but in a mining district such as this has proved itself to be money spent in developing a good surface showing, even if unsuccessful in its object, cannot be said to be spent foolishly.

Among the many mining claims and prospects in this section that are lacking in proper development work are the claims of the Lord Nelson Mining company. The property of this company consists of three full claims. The Elizabeth, San Lorenzo, and the Far West. The geological formation of the country rock is granite and the vein has a northeasterly and southwesterly direction. The vein is easily traceable a considerable distance on the surface and has a slight dip towards the south. The development of the property consists of two tunnels on the vein and a two compartment shaft. One tunnel exposes the vein for a distance of 130 feet, and shows sulphide ore of low grade about three feet in width. The other tunnel exposes the vein, showing nearly seven hundred feet of ore, about four hundred feet of which is oxidized and about three hundred feet of sulphides. The vein is large and strong, being from 6 to 16 feet in width and its general character as it is developed, shows it to be beyond doubt a true fissure. The character of the ore in the wider portions of the vein is a low grade, silver sulphide quartz, similar in appearance to the low grade ores of the Granite and Bi-Metallic mines. Adjoining this property on the northwest is the Marony, where there is exposed a rich streak of silver ore, and on the southwest is the Young America, a claim that but for one of the Flint Creek district's characteristic lawsuits, would be employing a large number of men and in all probability paying a nice monthly dividend to its owners.

Some day all these lawsuits and wrangling will be settled, and when they are Philipsburg will be a great mining camp. PHILIPSBURG'S JASPER QUARRY. Enough to Supply the World for Ages to Come.

It having been announced that Mr. Angus A. McDonald, of Philipsburg, had made some valuable locations of jasper, and as he attended a special session of the board of county commissioners this week, a Deer Lodge New North-West representative was enabled to see him in regard to the discovery. It appears that Mr. John W. Opp has a limekiln and a lime claim on Boulder creek, ten or twelve miles north of Philipsburg, and Mr. McDonald was on the hunt of a lime claim himself, and he visited the limekiln of Mr. Opp for the purpose of hunting up and locating a lime claim. While at the limekiln he noticed a peculiar colored rock used in the construction of it and called attention to it. One man, standing by, gave it a name; so did Mr. McDonald; but not the name which he had in his mind, for he thought it jasper, but he did not say so. He then went over to where the rock was to be found and examined it closely. He then took some specimens and departed for Helena. He hunted up some experts, who pronounced it jasper of the very first quality. He then returned from Helena with Mr. Peter J. Schomp, one of the experts, to re-examine the deposit. They visited the locality the latter part of last week and made four locations, which were filed on Monday. The deposit is pronounced by the expert, who examined the rock in person on the ground, to be the largest and finest body of jasper to be found in the world. The vein is from 400 to 500 feet from top to bottom and about that wide, and thousands of feet in length. In fact it contains enough jasper to supply the world for ages to come, and were the quarry within the neighborhood of New York, would be worth untold millions. As many as six different colors were found in the rock. The predominating colors are red and brown, sometimes with small white spots, sometimes with red stripes and sometimes with bluish stripes.

"Jasper" is an opaque close-grained variety of quartz variously tinted, but usually either red or brown, the color being due in the former case to the presence of peroxide of iron, and in the latter to the same oxide in a hydrated condition. Frequently the color is not uniform, and if the tints be disposed in stripes or bands the mineral is termed ribbon jasper. A brook jasper occurring in nodules and exhibiting variations of tint arranged in zones, is termed from its locality, "Egyptian jasper." The above definition is taken from one of the encyclopedias, but the jasper here mentioned is not to be confounded with the jasper mentioned by the classical writers, the jasper of the ancients, including stones which are now classed as agate and chalcedony.

The jasper discovered by Mr. McDonald can be polished to a finer finish than marble and can be used for all the purposes for which marble is used, just what is to be done with the quarry is not yet fully determined. Some of the rock will be shipped shortly for the purpose of being sawed into slabs and polished, but what shape the management of the property will take cannot now be told. We are glad of one thing, however, and that is that the claim has fallen into the hands of a lucky man so capable of developing it as Mr. McDonald.

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Jefferson County Mines.

The Boulder Age has the following regarding the mines of Jefferson county: J. E. Jackson has abandoned the mines near Placer which he had bonded for \$50,000 or more.

The Pilot mine, Amazon district, sent one car of ore to Great Falls the past week, and is loading another car.

Resumption of work at the Wickes smelting plant seems to be as far away as ever. The spurt recently made has died out.

The North Elkhorn mining company has been organized at Townsend, the incorporators being J. A. Wood, William Wood, H. S. Hyatt, J. P. Rhoades and J. R. Weston.

J. E. Smith of Basin has brought an adverse suit in the United States land office at Helena for the California quartz lode mining claim, application for a patent to which is being made by Roger McCaffery.

G. K. Rogers has started another shaft on his ranch in the Boulder canyon, a mile or two above town, and will sink it to bed rock in the hope of finding a goodly quantity of placer gold resting thereon. He has leased the steam engine and pump of the Mollie McGregor mine for the purpose of pushing the work when he strikes water. There seems to be a good prospect of his finding pay dirt.

The Boulder Sampling works are to close this week, the patronage extended not being sufficient to warrant the necessary expenditure. This is to be regretted, both in the interest of Boulder and of the mines in the vicinity. It is understood, however, that an effort is to be made to add reduction works to the plant, and if this is done the miners in this vicinity should see that the patronage is sufficient to keep them running steadily.

Work on the Mono mine is progressing steadily, with good prospects. The shaft on which the men have been working recently is down 200 feet, and the miners are now drifting and are about to begin raising in order to reach the ore shoot which was crossed by the shaft at the depth of 60 feet. In this shoot there was about ten feet of ledge matter, with a foot of fine grained material to increase in width. After striking this ore shoot it is probable that work will be resumed on the shaft and that it will be sunk to the depth of 400 feet. Eight men are employed on the mine.

W. S. Dodge of Placer and C. W. Dodge of Boulder have taken a bond of John Anderson, William Magee and Patrick McNichol on the White Dog and Toprock quartz lode mining claims in the Bigfoot district, the amount to be paid for the claims to be \$24,000, and the bond to expire May 10, 1891. The development of the property is to begin immediately, and it is said that there is a very fine promise of a good mine there. The locations are two or three miles to the southwest of the Bigfoot mine. If this property should prove to be as expected, it will bring the district to the front and perhaps reward those who have maintained their faith in the leads there notwithstanding discouraging circumstances.

The Great Moulton Mine.

The Great Falls people interested in the Moulton mine at Nelhart have received a report from Superintendent Raymond which is most encouraging, says the Tribune of that city. In the west drift the vein has widened to six feet and an average assay of the entire lead gives 138 ounces silver. The prospect in the east drift is equally bright. The lead is widening, an average assay of the ore yielding 82 1/2 ounces in silver. This is almost an unexampled showing and evidences the fact that the Moulton is one of the richest mines of Montana. The present working is now over two hundred feet in depth, and the mine has improved gradually as depth has been attained. A conservative estimate made places the value of the ore now in sight at \$300,000. No wonder the owners are a little elated over the prospects of the Moulton.

The Poorman.

"That settles the future of the Cour d'Alene," said Simon Healey of the Poorman mine, one day this week, to a Cour d'Alene Miner reporter. He was speaking of the great Poorman and had just told the writer that the ledge had been struck and a magnificent body of ore exposed at a depth of 500 feet. Mr. Healey was enthusiastic on the subject, as well he might be. It settles the question in the case of the Poorman; it is a mine for several years to come, if meeting the owners do nothing but take out ore. It goes to prove that there will be deep mining in Cour d'Alene; that it is a permanent camp, and that mining has hardly yet begun.

The Sweet Grass Hills.

C. H. Boyle and R. W. Buckland returned this afternoon from the Sweet Grass hills. The cross-cut in the Mountain Chief is 37 feet wide and the end of the vein is not yet reached. The ore improves in character and several specimens brought in when roasted showed a large percentage of pure copper. On the Jumbo a vein 15 feet wide and apparently rich in copper and silver was struck at a distance of 10 feet in the tunnel. About 20 miners are now in the hills and all are confident of a bright future for the camp. Colonel Donnelly is engaged in building a wagon road to the marble deposits. —Benton Press.

THE NEW YORK MARKET.

Closing Quotations for Metals and Mining Stocks.

New York, Sept. 26.—The closing quotations for to-day are:

American Flag..... 2 10
Alice..... 2 45
Adams Com..... 2 00
Aspen..... 3 40
Anadarko..... 1 00
Belle Isle..... 1 00
Belcher..... 2 20
Best, Belcher..... 2 45
Bodie..... 1 00
Brunswick..... 3 00
California, E. H..... 1 75
Chollar..... 2 25
Crown Point..... 2 20
Colorado Gen..... 1 00
Con, Cal., Va..... 4 65
Columbia..... 1 00
Commonwealth..... 2 30
Constock, bid..... 6 00
Constock, Dec 1..... 5 75
Delmonte..... 1 00
Deadwood Ter..... 1 25
Eureka Com..... 4 00
El Cristo..... 2 40
Foster Desmet..... 1 30
Freeland..... 3 25
Gould, Curry..... 2 10
Hale, Norcross..... 2 25
Homestake..... 10 00
Iron Silver..... 3 40
Hoyake..... 1 00
Independence..... 1 25
Mexican..... 3 10
Mutual..... 1 45
Mt. Diablo..... 3 00
North Star..... 7 00
New Coal..... 1 10
New Belle Isle..... 1 10
N. Com. wealth..... 2 25
Ontario..... 4 00
Ophir..... 4 00
Occidental..... 1 00
Plymouth..... 6 00
Potosi..... 5 75
Phoenix Arizona..... 1 00
Savage..... 3 00
Sierra Nevada..... 2 40
Standard..... 1 65
Sutter Creek..... 1 30
Yellow Jacket..... 3 25

Copper, Tin and Lead.

New York, Sept. 26.—Copper—Nominal; Lake, September, \$17.
Lead—Strong; domestic, \$5.20.
Tin—Steady; Straits, \$25.

Boston Wool Market.

Boston, Sept. 26.—Territory wools continue active, with sales of fine at 60¢/62, fine medium at 55¢/57, medium at 53¢/55. Considerable spring California wool has been sold at 16¢/23, and eastern Oregon at 12¢/22.

SILVER BOW MURDER

The Evening Paper Pretends to Dissolve the Mystery.

The Story Left Much as It Was—Strange but Very Possible—Mr. Willard's Contradictory Stories.

Special Correspondence of the Standard.

BUTTE, Sept. 26.—The *Inter Mountain* comes out this evening with a flamingly edited article purporting to dissolve the mystery of the murder near Silver Bow. The alleged romance is no more exploded than it has been and "the interesting developments" published are far from recent. A reporter of the STANDARD spent a day at and near Silver Bow Junction this week and was not so slow as not to have heard of a very large proportion of the developments. Willard's wife left the night the reporter spent at the junction and heard Willard himself express his intention of leaving for Rocker or somewhere he could make something during the winter, as to do this on the ranch was clearly impossible. The next day the reporter was informed of the alleged contradictory stories regarding Willard's wife. The same informant advanced the wild notion that some one had been killed in the Willard gang in a fight over the woman of the party. This notion was rejected as the abnormal fancy of a disorderly imagination, for what could possess a man to say anything about a murder which had been so effectually concealed as this was?

Not only was this notion condemned as *prima facie* absurd but careful investigation showed that the informant's sanity was in grave question and that this was not the first fanciful product of his imagination. Accordingly nothing of this matter was published, but at the same time the STANDARD representative reported the story to Under Sheriff Gallagher and Deputy Sheriff Nichols. The deputy knew the Silver Bow man who was responsible both for the contradictory stories regarding Willard's wife and also for the fantastic theory insinuating that the story was a cover for crookedness in the Willard outfit and was well acquainted with the old fellow's vagaries. Either directly or indirectly the *Inter Mountain* has become the victim of the fancy of an old man who with his many estimable qualities is known in Silver Bow to be what people call a trifle queer.

No watch has been kept on Willard but he has been allowed to roam about at his own sweet will until this afternoon. Then it was rumored that Willard had packed in order to follow the old fellow. He had started to investigate the matter, not so much trusting the man as desirous to keep him within reach as a witness. They did go to Dillon and found Willard on his way to Glendale. He was attempting to escape but was on his way with his partner to do the threshing work there. He was overhauled without difficulty and returned without protest.

A reporter of the STANDARD saw Willard to-night at the court house and talked with him at some length. He said that he was in debt to Smith, his partner, and was going down to Glendale at the latter's request in order to work with him. He expected to return in a short time and work at Rocker. When asked about the contradictory stories about his wife, Willard promptly said that he had fooled old William Stolpy by telling him that she was his sister. He had never told anybody but him this, and then he had told it in order to fool the old fellow. He had often told him other things for the same purpose. This was said before Willard was aware of the *Inter Mountain's* publication. Of course it is possible that the story of the Silver Bow murder is but a romance, but even if so it is not yet an exploded romance. It still has its believers, and curiously enough among these are the very officers who are made to appear as having already thrown over Willard's tale and begun to regard him as either a murderer or a perjurer. The "interesting developments" recently made "leave the story much as it was, strange but very possible.

CLARA MORRIS.

Arrangements Being Made for the Appearance of the Popular Actress.

Special Correspondence of the Standard.

BUTTE, Sept. 26.—W. H. Rowles, representing Clara Morris, arrived in town to-day to arrange for the appearance of that most popular actress in this city next week, beginning Thursday evening. Mr. Rowles expressed the utmost astonishment at what he saw in Butte. It will also be the first visit of Clara Morris to this city. The fame of this great actress is, however, known from ocean to ocean, and on her first visit to Butte she will receive a warm welcome.

The Duluth News says of the appearance of Miss Morris in Duluth: It is with some degree of hesitation that any critic must approach the task of reviewing the work of such a distinguished actress as Clara Morris, in a role in which she stands to-day pre-eminent. "Camille" is a play of love and passion in all the emotional phases, and of all the actresses who have essayed the title role none have given such a complete and satisfactory impersonation as has Miss Morris. It was no wonder, therefore, that the last and strong which assembled at the Temple last evening was held spell-bound by her art. There is no point at which she does not maintain the sympathies of her auditors as well by the beauty of the conception as by the abnegation in which she gives expression. It is rare even that one can see the emotions and swell the eyes with tears as did Miss Morris last evening. The audience was profoundly stirred, and the only criticism that can be made at this point is that there was a lack of enthusiastic applause, which appeared surprising to one aware of the way in which the same scenes are received in New York and other large cities. The intense interest of the audience was marked, however, and the apparent coldness must have been due to the very fact that Miss Morris' auditors were overcome by the realism of her emotion and felt each pulsation of her absorbing grief and strong pathos. The death scene was a grand piece of work. The portrayal of the dissolution of the consumptive was so honest and complete in all its details that those who watched the scene with critical eyes could not avoid the conclusion that aside from its piteous character, it was a magnificent piece of impersonation, such as genius alone can produce.

A Runaway on Main Street.

Special Correspondence of the Standard.

BUTTE, Sept. 26.—At an early hour this morning one of the teams drawing bricks for the building adjoining Calkin's store ran away down Main street, scattering bricks and consternation down the street as far as Galena where they were stopped. Fortunately no one was injured and no further damage done than breaking up the bricks.

Butte Real Estate.
Special Correspondence of the Standard.
BUTTE, Sept. 26.—The following transfers were recorded at the office of the county clerk since our last report: Frederick McDonald to Edward E. Derick, lot 17 in block 11 of the Legat & Foster addition, with mineral exceptions..... \$ 2,100 00
John B. Cleveland et al. to the trustees of School District No. 1, lots 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7, in block 1 of the Belmont addition..... 2,200 00
Galen Wood to Estelle Sperling, a described portion of the Carlotta lode claim..... 1,000 00
Fred Felike et al. to Peter Nihil, lot 6 in block 9, in the Central addition..... 300 00

A Fugitive Leaves for Denver.
By the Standard's Special Wire.

BUTTE, Sept. 26.—Billy Woods, instructor for the Pastime Athletic club, will leave to-morrow for Denver. He will stop at Pocattello to meet a man there on Saturday night. Mr. Woods says that he has been a month in Butte with a challenge to heavy-weights and none of them accepted. If any of them hereafter desire to meet him, challenges may be sent to J. L. Black of the Clarendon.

Mining Locations.

Special Correspondence of the Standard.
BUTTE, Sept. 26.—The following notices of location were filed to-day.

Lone Pine, about nine miles northeast of Melrose in the Lone Pine district, by John L. Murray.
Race placer, being 100 acres of surface ground situated in an unorganized district of this county, by George F. Boggs, et al.

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